

**Remarks/Arguments:**

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the present discussion, is respectfully requested.

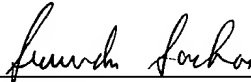
Claims 1 and 3-20 are pending; Claims 4-7 and 13-20 were previously withdrawn from consideration; and no claims are amended, newly added, or cancelled herewith.

In the response filed September 23, 2003, in the Remarks section at page 9, the body region of Figure 3 was incorrectly referred to as element 12. The non-limiting example should have referred to the body region 13, illustrated in Figure 3 of the present application, as being provided adjacent to the source and drain regions 51 and 61 in a gate width direction W.

Consequently, in view of the foregoing discussion, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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